Marijuana Policy Panel Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 13, 2004 - City Hall, Room 370 - 5:35-6:47 p.m.

Present: Members - Carr, Cunningham, Holcomb, Holden, Kigvamasudvasht,

Mochizuki, Nyrop, Satterberg

Staff - Lehocka-Howell

Absent: Members - Licata, Rasmussen, Stark

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to approve the minutes from June 21, 2004 meeting, as amended.

Report From The Sub-Committee

The subcommittee's new title is the Public Health and Safety Committee (PHSC). Focus of their work will be the effects of I-75 on Public Health. PHSC approached Dennis Donovan, PhD from the University of Washington for analysis recommendations for the collected data. The committee learned that analysis would be possible only if funding is secured.

Issues to be further discussed:

- Grants/ funding,
- Focus of the analysis,
- What should be measured.
- Should health and criminal data be analyzed together

Holden will put together a letter proposing the goals for the analysis.

Review Of City And County Reports

<u>City Report:</u> Upon previous request, all available case numbers have been added to the report. A complete report for the year has been supplied. Compared to last year, fewer drug related cases, marijuana included, have been filed. Explanation for this change is not known.

<u>County Report:</u> Only a few of the June, July, August, and September marijuana related cases that were filed in court actually included marijuana related charges. *Holcomb* and *Cunningham* will review all of the cases and will give a report at the panel's next meeting.

Public Comment Period

ACLU will have a couple of UW academics do some work/ reports on marijuana.

Other Thoughts/Comments

If a panel member cannot be present and has a report for the panel, s/he can have another person present the information on their behalf.

Proposed Future Agenda Items

Report by *Holcomb* and *Cunningham*

Next Meeting

Wednesday, March 2, 2005, from 5:30-7 p.m. in City Hall, Room 370